

[English]

New Gas-Based Fertilizer Plants

5645. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the construction work of the three new gas-based fertilizer plants has been interrupted;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the loss of foreign exchange per month as a result thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b). No, Sir. However, the completion of three gas-based fertiliser projects at Babrala, Gadepan and Shahjahanpur has been delayed because some clearances are still awaited.

(c) The national value of foreign exchange lost for each month of delay in these projects is about \$ 35 million.

[Translation]

Industrial Growth Centres in Rajasthan and Haryana

5546. PROF. RASA SINGH RAWAT: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of proposals sent by the Governments of Rajasthan and Haryana for setting up industrial growth centres during the last three years;

(b) the action taken so far in this regard;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up some new public undertakings or industrial units in these States;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (e). Under the new growth centre scheme, the States of Rajasthan and Haryana were allotted 5 and 2 growth centres respectively. For selection of 5 growth centres, the Govt. of Rajasthan had sent 9 proposals which were at Bharatpur, Sawai Madhopur, Bhilwara, Jhalawar, Bikaner, Sirohi, Ajmer, Alwar and Dholpur. From out of these, four growth centres one each in the districts of Bhilwara, Jhalawar, Bikaner and Sirohi have been elected. For selection of the fifth Growth Centre additional information is awaited from the State Government.

The Government of Haryana had sent 4 proposals viz., Ambala, Jind, Rohtak and Rewari (originally in Mohindergarh) districts for selection of two growth centres in the State. From out of these, two growth centres one each in the districts of Rewari and Jind have been selected.

A 'poshahar' plant with a capacity of 3600 tonnes per annum to be set up at Udaipur in Rajasthan by M/s. Modern Food Processing with a total capital outlay of Rs. 85 lakhs has been approved by the Government.

A proposal has been submitted by the public sector company, Pyrites Phosphates & Chemicals Ltd. for setting up a Single Super Phosphate project at Saladipura in Sikar. No final decision has been taken in the matter.

Increase in Commission on Essential Commodities in Delhi

5647. SHRI SAJJAN KUMAR:
SHRI B.L. SHARMA PREM:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the owners of the ration shops and kerosene depots in Delhi have been demanding for the last several years for getting their commission increased on the supply of essential commodities and kerosene;

(b) if so, the reasons for not increasing their commission; and

(c) whether the Government propose to increase the commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) to (c). It is reported by Delhi Administration that, after considering the demand of the Fair Price Shop (FPS) operators, they have increased the commission for sale of wheat and rice under Public Distribution System to FPS operators in May, 1990. As regards margin on kerosene, Government of India in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas is considering various issues including dealers' commission on kerosene on the recommendations submitted to it by Oil Price Review Committee.

As regards margins for levy sugar distribution through the Fair Price Shops, no proposal has been received from the Delhi Administration for its revision.

Revival of closed Industries in Orissa

5648. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Orissa have requested the Union Government to

review the cases for revival of some industries lying closed in that state;

(b) whether some applications have been received from non-resident Indians to revive these industries;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of Industries lying closed for want of capital and due to mismanagement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of the above.

(d) In accordance with the practices and usages customary among Bankers as also in conformity with the provisions of the statutes governing nationalised banks, it will not be possible to divulge the names and details of the sick units assisted by banks.

Akashvani/Doordarshan Kendras in Orissa

5649. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state the places where Akashvani Kendras, Doordarshan Kendras relay centres, towers and studios were set up in Orissa during each of the last three years?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): The details are given in the attached statement.